

CHAPTER NO. 913

SENATE BILL NO. 3329

By Kilby, Crutchfield, Burks, Kyle

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2934

By McMillan, Winningham, Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-113(b), is amended by deleting the language "not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) a quarter or seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) a semester" and by substituting instead the language "not to exceed forty-five dollars (\$45.00) a quarter or seventy dollars (\$70.00) a semester".


SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-207, is amended by deleting subsection (e) in its entirety and substituting the following:

(e) Neither the committee nor the commission is required to approve any institution or program submitted to them for approval under Part 20 of this chapter if, in their judgment, adequate provisions for such institution or program exists within the proposed service area. Furthermore, except with regard to regionally accredited, degree granting institutions, neither the committee nor the commission is required to approve any institution or program if, in their judgment, there is insufficient evidence that adequate employment opportunities exist in the related occupations for persons successfully completing such program, and that the costs of such program are reasonable in relation to the reasonably expected earnings in occupations for which the program is designed. Institutions whose primary campus is located in Tennessee and that have been domiciled in Tennessee for at least ten (10) consecutive years and that are accredited by the commission on colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools at the baccalaureate level shall be exempt from this provision.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 27, 2006


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 20th day of June 2006


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR